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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

7 August 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable James R. Schlesinger
The Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT: Vietnam Rumbles

Jim:

Per our telephone conversation this morning, attached is a brief wrap-up prepared by [redacted] to take to Brent Scowcroft at the latter's request. I have talked to [redacted] in DIA, telling both that I had talked to you and bracing them to answer any further questions emerging from your office. I have also talked to [redacted] (conveying the same advisory).

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[redacted] As usual, he has things well in hand -- as does DIA. There is minimal disagreement within the Community about what the evidence is, though there is an inevitable spectrum of opinion about how large or intense a series of attacks may actually be pending. My money is on the high side, partly because if I were in Hanoi, I would find the temptation to make a major move now virtually irresistible. Vietnam events and indicators will be given thorough treatment by the Watch Committee, which is meeting today, and in the Community's various publications.

[redacted] modifying and expanding the objective of work already in train, will have a Community assessment of the Vietnam military situation out by the end of the week.

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George A. Carver, Jr.
Deputy for National Intelligence Officers

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